

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

July 25, 2016

5:30 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Joe Gourley
Commissioner David Nipper
Commissioner Steve Pearcy
Commissioner Pettus Read
Commissioner Chantho Sourinho
Commissioner Brad Turner
Commissioner Doug Shafer, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess	Jeff Davidson
Elissa Phillips	Lynn Duke
Michael Gregory	Tharrel Kast
Larry Farley	Keith Lowery
Egon Grissom	Chris Deal
Bernard Salandy	Mike Nunley
Sonya Stephenson	Trey King
Lisa Marchisoni	Dan Goode
Becky Shelton	

Chairman Shafer presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with all members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Read moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT:

Keith Lowery, Egon Grissom and Chris Deal presented the line item report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Gourley moved, seconded by Commissioner Nipper, to approve the line item report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

CORRECTIONAL WORK CENTER REPORT:

Bernard Salandy presented the Correctional Work Center report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Pearcy moved, seconded by Commissioner Read, to approve the Correctional Work Center report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

RECOVERY COURT REPORT:

Trey King presented the Recovery Court report for the use and information of the Committee as well as proposed contracts with the State of Tennessee for Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment (ADAT) at \$5,000 and Supervised Probation Offender Treatment (SPOT) at \$7,000. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Nipper moved, seconded by Commissioner Pearcy, to approve the Recovery Court report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

"Commissioner Gourley moved, seconded by Commissioner Nipper, to approve the ADAT contract with Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in the amount of \$5,000 and forward to the Budget Committee and authorize execution of the same. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the SPOT contract with Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in the amount of \$7,000 and forward to the Budget Committee and authorize execution of the same. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

PROBATION REPORT:

Trey King presented the May and June Probation reports for the use and information of the Committee and introduced Elissa Phillips as an employee of the department. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Read moved, seconded by Commissioner Gourley, to approve the Probation report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. King was asked to put the fiscal year report in all Commissioner boxes for their information. Chairman Shafer encouraged the Committee to tour the probation offices.

OSHA REPORT:

Dan Goode presented the OSHA report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Nipper moved, seconded by Commissioner Percy, to approve the OSHA report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

The Committee was next reminded of the proposed Resolution submitted at the last meeting to establish an updated occupational safety and health program plan, devise rules and regulations and to provide for a director and the implementation of such program plan which has been requested by OSHA. The Resolution restates the County's commitment to safety and needs to go to the Commission for approval and then to TOSHA. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Gourley, to approve the OSHA Resolution as submitted and forward the same to the full Commission. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

PAWS REPORT:

Michael Gregory presented the PAWS report for the use and information of the Committee providing information on yearly trends since 07/08 showing the surgery programs do work. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Read moved, seconded by Commissioner Gourley, to approve the PAWS report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Gregory next presented the Grant Contract in the amount of \$3,900 with the State of Tennessee for the animal friendly grant. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Percy, to accept the animal friendly grant in the amount of \$3,900 with the State of Tennessee and forward the same to the Budget Committee. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Gregory next presented information on the PetSmart Charities grant received in the amount of \$30,000.

Mr. Gregory presented a budget amendment to (1) recognize remaining funds from the 15/16 PetSmart Grant to part-time salaries and benefits; (2) accept the Animal Friendly Grant and appropriate funds; (3) accept the PetSmart Grant and appropriate funds and (4) transfer funds from other equipment to maintenance agreements for lease of a dishwasher.

To: 101-55120-169 Part-time Personnel -	\$ 11,035
To: 101-55120-201 Social Security -	\$ 689
To: 101-55120-212 Employer Medicare -	\$ 169
From: 101-34530 Restricted for Public Health/Welfare	\$ 11,893

To: 101-46980	PAWS -	\$ 3,900
To: 101-55120-413	Drugs & Medical Supplies -	\$ 3,900
To: 101-48130	Contributions -	\$ 30,000
To: 101-55120-718	Motor Vehicles -	\$ 30,000
To: 101-55120-334	Maintenance Agreements -	\$ 7,000
From: 101-55120-790	Other Equipment -	\$ 7,000

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Nipper, to approve the PAWS budget amendment as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

AMBULANCE SERVICE REPORT:

Mike Nunley presented the Ambulance Service report for the use and information of the Committee advising they currently have seven vacancies at the Ambulance Service. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Percy moved, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the Ambulance Service report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY REPORT:

Tharrel Kast presented the Emergency Management Agency report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Gourley moved, seconded by Commissioner Percy, to approve the Emergency Management Agency report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

FIRE-RESCUE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Larry Farley presented the Fire-Rescue Department report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Read, to approve the Fire-Rescue Department report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

JUVENILE DETENTION REPORT:

Lynn Duke presented the Juvenile Detention report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the Juvenile Detention report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

FALSE FIRE CALLS:

The Committee was reminded information was previously received regarding false alarm calls and Chairman Shafer asked for advice on what the Committee wanted to do. Mayor Burgess advised Tennessee law only authorizes a permit fee if in place prior to 1991 which the County did not have but the County can charge a fee on false alarms. Most entities allow a certain number of false calls before implementing a fee and most charge at least \$25.

Commissioner Gourley advised there would need to be some mechanism in the new SO software to keep up with false calls and then need to decide if its worth the manpower to collect the fines. Mayor Burgess advised the County cannot put a lien on property and has to go through the court. Chairman Shafer advised there are approximately 150 false calls per month. Commissioner Gourley advised he did not think there was a way to keep up with the false calls until the new software is installed later this year. Commissioner Nipper advised he felt a need to do something to help the Sheriff's Department and Fire Department with the calls. Commissioner Gourley advised some alarm companies need contact numbers for the responsible party.

Commissioner Nipper advised if there is a charge for false calls then people will provide information to the alarm companies for contact. Mayor Burgess suggested asking Murfreesboro and Smyrna for information on outcomes of charging for false calls and asked Egon Grissom to check with the respective chiefs as well as Maury County. Mayor Burgess advised information is needed on additional staff required as well.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Commissioner Gourley advised as to emergency communications he was asking Mayor Burgess if he would be agreeable to restarting the study committee as the County is not where it needs to be and it takes time to get funding and implementation. As fast as technology changes the County needs to continue the study committee and he asked that a couple of members of the Public Safety Committee be included on the study committee and that Mayor Burgess chair the study committee. Commissioner Gourley advised he was asking this matter be considered before the next meeting.

Chairman Shafer next advised there is \$1,600,000 in the Unassigned Fund Balance pulled from the Sheriff's budget for deputies. The Budget Committee will be discussing the issue and he thought it was a good idea for the Public Safety Committee to forward a recommendation. The Sheriff's trial has been postponed for six months. Commissioner Nipper advised he believed the Budget Committee did not have the authority to pull the funds once allocated for this year. Chairman Shafer advised the tax levy had not been set. Commissioner Nipper advised the Budget Committee allocated the funds and then kept them until the Sheriff did what they asked him to and he felt the County needed those 19 deputies now.

"Commissioner Nipper moved to reallocate those 19 positions in patrol and detention and allocate the funds as soon as possible. This motion failed for lack of a second."

Commissioner Read advised he thought all Commissioners have had discussions with the public on this issue and have had time to consider the issue and he felt the matter should be on the Commission agenda for discussion by all Commissioners. Commissioner Gourley advised he agreed and thinks it should be a decision by the Commission and not just a Committee. Mayor Burgess advised the Committee could put the matter under Public Safety on the agenda or any Committee member could, with a second, bring it up from the floor. Commissioner Read advised the issues with the Sheriff's Department have been discussed statewide and this should be a Commission decision and gives all 21 Commissioners the ability to make a statement. Commissioner Nipper advised he thought there needed to be an up or down vote to know how Commissioners feel.

"Commissioner Read moved, seconded by Commissioner Gourley, to place on the Commission agenda the issue of placing back in the budget the patrol and detention deputies for further discussion and give public notice. This motion passed by roll call vote with Commissioners Gourley, Nipper, Pearcy, Read and Sourinho voting "yes" and Commissioners Turner and Shafer voting "no"."

Commissioner Turner next asked how many car accidents were due to distracted driving and Egon Grissom advised the number was increasing and was definitely up.

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Shafer declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

DOUG SHAFER, Chairman